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Northwest Region Potato Stocks on February 1, 2015 Totaled 133 Million Hundredweight

Potato stocks in Idaho on February 1, 2015 totaled 76.0 million cwt. Disappearance of the Idaho crop to date was 59.9 million cwt. February 1 potato stocks in Oregon totaled 13.2 million cwt. Disappearance to date was 9.36 million cwt. In Washington, February 1 potato stocks totaled 44.0 million cwt. Disappearance to date totaled 57.5 million cwt. Nationally, the 13 major potato States held 204 million cwt of potatoes in storage February 1, 2015, down slightly from 2 years ago. Potatoes in storage accounted for 51 percent of the 2014 fall storage States' production, 1 percent higher than 2 years earlier. Potato disappearance, at 198 million cwt, was down 4 percent from February 1, 2013. Season-to-date shrink and loss, at 18.2 million cwt, was 4 percent lower than 2 years ago.

Processors in Idaho and Malheur County, Oregon used 40.9 million cwt of potatoes for the season, up 5 percent from February 2014. In Washington and other Oregon counties, 42.7 million cwt of potatoes have been used by processors for the season, down 6 percent from the previous year. Processors in the 9 major States used 106 million cwt of potatoes for the season, up 2 percent from February 2014. Dehydrating usage accounted for 19.8 million cwt of the total processing.

Fall Potato Production and Stocks — 13 Major States: February 1, 2014-2015

[Stocks include processor holdings and most of the seed to plant following year's crop. Seed usage for all seasons in 2013 totaled 25.8 million cwt]

		Crop of 2013		Crop of 2014				
State	Production	Stocks February 1, 2014	February stocks as a percent of production	Production	Stocks December 1, 2014	Stocks February 1, 2015	February stocks as a percent of production	
	(1,000 cwt)	(1,000 cwt)	(percent)	(1,000 cwt)	(1,000 cwt)	(1,000 cwt)	(percent)	
California Colorado Idaho Maine Michigan Minnesota Montana	3,504 20,304 131,131 15,660 15,840 17,325 3,441	(NA) (NA) (NA) (NA) (NA) (NA) (NA)	(NA) (NA) (NA) (NA) (NA) (NA) (NA)	4,038 23,735 135,920 15,150 15,725 16,800 3,616	2,500 17,700 97,000 11,600 9,400 10,000 3,500	1,600 13,500 76,000 8,500 5,000 8,000 3,400	40 57 56 56 32 48 94	
Nebraska New York North Dakota Oregon Washington Wisconsin	8,418 4,959 22,620 21,582 96,000 26,040	(NA) (NA) (NA) (NA) (NA) (NA)	(NA) (NA) (NA) (NA) (NA) (NA)	6,438 4,424 24,255 22,562 101,475 27,090	3,900 2,100 17,000 17,700 57,000 18,000	2,700 1,400 12,400 13,200 44,000 14,000	42 32 51 59 43 52	
Total	386,824	(NA)	(NA)	401,228	267,400	203,700	51	
Klamath Basin ¹	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	5,000	3,000	(X)	

⁽NA) Not available.

⁽X) Not applicable.

¹ Includes potato stocks in California and Klamath County, Oregon. Included in the 13-State total.

Quantity of Potatoes Used for Processing — 9 States: 2012-2014

[Total quantity received and used for processing regardless of the State in which the potatoes were produced]

State and crop year	To December 1	To January 1	To February 1	To March 1	To April 1 ¹	To May 1	To June 1	Season
	(1,000 cwt)	(1,000 cwt)	(1,000 cwt)	(1,000 cwt)	(1,000 cwt)	(1,000 cwt)	(1,000 cwt)	(1,000 cwt)
Idaho and Malheur County, Oregon 2012 2013 2014	27,900 25,770 27,685	34,740 32,060 33,995	41,890 39,090 40,850	49,980 46,320	57,750 53,755	65,430 61,780	73,430 70,425	89,780 85,280
Maine ¹ 2012 2013 2014	1,890 1,570 1,410	2,380 1,990 1,845	3,005 2,510 2,415	3,600 3,060	4,290 3,680	5,075 4,240	5,740 4,800	7,720 6,315
Washington and Oregon ² 2012 2013 2014	31,295 31,575 31,870	37,730 37,990 37,190	43,820 45,420 42,715	51,765 52,690	57,915 59,025	64,500 64,905	70,470 72,325	80,400 80,655
Other States ³ 2012	14,270 11,365 13,440	16,765 14,280 16,730	19,785 17,470 20,190	22,520 20,475	25,170 23,695	28,320 26,990	31,100 30,195	40,395 37,425
United States 2012 2013 2014	75,355 70,280 74,405	91,615 86,320 89,760	108,500 104,490 106,170	127,865 122,545	145,125 140,155	163,325 157,915	180,740 177,745	218,295 209,675
Dehydrated ⁴ 201220132014	13,965 12,065 12,935	17,640 15,875 16,170	22,000 19,835 19,770	26,105 23,380	30,135 27,140	34,610 31,095	38,945 34,895	47,305 44,385

¹ Includes Maine grown potatoes only. Amounts exclude quantities used for potato chips.

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² Oregon excluding Malheur County.

³ Colorado, Minnesota, Nevada, North Dakota, and Wisconsin. Monthly amounts exclude quantities used for potato chips in Wisconsin.

⁴ Dehydrated products except starch and flour. Includes Colorado, Idaho, Minnesota, Nevada, Oregon, and Washington.